

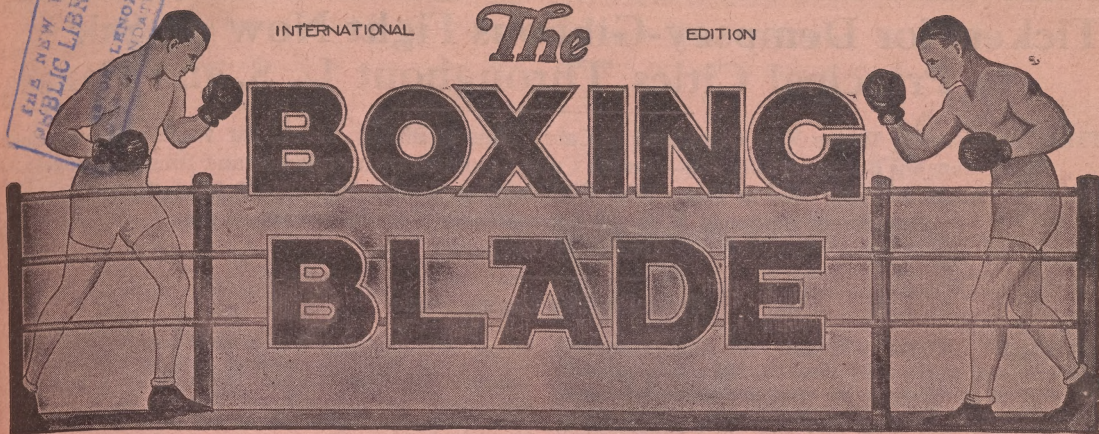
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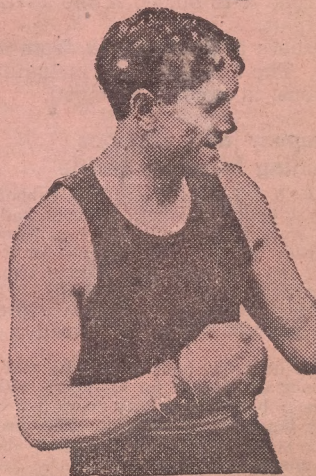
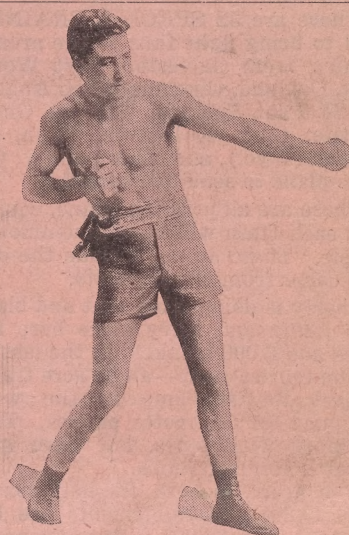
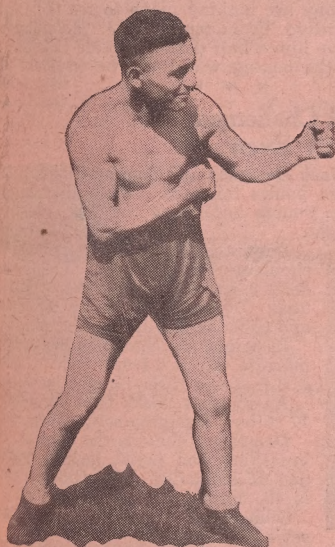


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Two New Champions and Men They Defeated



Center—EUGENE CRIQUI, of France, who won featherweight championship of world from Johnny Kilbane.

Left—JACK BERNSTEIN, New York boxer, who took junior lightweight title from Johnny Dundee.

Upper right—JOHNNY DUNDEE, Former Junior Lightweight Champion, who lost decision to Jack Bernstein in 15 rounds at New York City, May 30.

Lower right—JOHNNY KILBANE, Veteran Cleveland boxer, who lost title he held for 11 years to Eugene Criqui, who knocked him out in six rounds at New York City, June 2.

Tickets for Dempsey-Gibbons Fight Now on Sale in Principal Cities Throughout U. S. and Canada

Thirty-Two Special Trains Now Organized to Carry Fans to Shelby, Mont., for World's Heavyweight Championship Battle on July 4th—Trains Fully Equipped with Pullmans and Diners—Thousands of Tents Sold to Those Who Will Camp on Scene—Big Auto Tourists Camp Completely Equipped With All Conveniences for Motorists—Arena Over Half Completed.

Special to The Boxing Blade.

SHELBY, MONT.—Tickets for the Dempsey-Gibbons fight, July Fourth, have been broadcasted to all agencies that are handling them from Coast to Coast and in Canada. The prices are \$50, \$40, \$30, \$25, and \$20, plus 10 per cent Government tax. The \$20 seats are general admission and will be sold only at the arena the day of the fight. They are not reserved.

There are 32 SPECIAL TRAINS being organized to bring fight fans to the arena. Trains are coming from Galveston, Fort Worth, Salt Lake City, Oakland, Cincinnati, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Spokane, Tacoma, Omaha, Portland, Seattle, Chicago, Denver, Tulsa, Peoria, Butte, Casper (Wyo.), and other points. Canadian cities have plans to send five specials.

These are all pullman trains, equipped with diners; each train will have accommodations for 250 people. These do not include the day trains that will come from closer points.

Shelby is doing a big tent and blanket business. The Army and Navy store here has sold 1,800 tents and 6,000 blankets in the last few weeks.

The tourist camp—an 80 acre tract which is the largest tourist camp in the world—is being equipped for the motor parties. The lots are not equipped with tents, but have heat, light and water accommodations.

The arena is over one-half complete. It will seat 40,208. Arrangements are being made to increase it to 60,000 if the advance sale indicates a sellout.

Orders are pouring in from all over the country. The advance sale, including cash and reservations, is around \$400,000.

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Dempsey and Gibbons Training Hard for Battle

JACK DEMPSEY and Tom Gibbons have settled down to heavy training. Gibbons had a little preliminary work in his exhibition tour through Montana towns. Dempsey got into the harness for a week, but suddenly cut it out and went on a fishing trip. He is back at his Great Falls camp, hard at work.

Gibbons brought his wife and three children from St. Paul and will live at his temporary home here until the bout.

Tom does not believe that he will need a lot of work to condition himself for his battle with the champion. He has been boxing regularly every few weeks and is not carrying much excess weight. The challenger is confident. There is nothing of the braggart about Tom, but in his own unassuming way he convinces one that he is ticketed to take the measure of the so-called superman of Manas-

sa. If other fighters had their misgivings on being thrown into the ring with the champion they have not passed on that feeling to Tom. Gibbons can crack 'em a few himself and expects that his speed will keep him out of the champion's reach, and hopes that he can bring him down with his right hand.

Dempsey, too, radiates confidence. The champ figures Gibbons as just another obstacle in his path, rugged but not unbeatable. He is talking already of coming fights with Firpo, Willard and Wills as though the July 4 affair was already checked in.

The immense arena that will house the crowd will be ready by June 20. Contractors are rushing work. Shelby is getting ready to handle the guests. Fourteen sidetracks are being laid to park the special trains.

Included in the list of reservations received last week was a request from Tom Mix for ten seats. Dempsey is a great favorite in the movie colony. Several hundred of the Hollywood colony are making plans to see the Champ box. Al Jolson wired Promoters Loy J. Molumby and Mike Collins to save him a half dozen ringside tickets. All the celebrities of the boxing world will be on deck.

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Champion and Challenger Shape Up Pretty Even

COMPARING Jack Dempsey and Tommy Gibbons there are advantage points for each. When they step in the ring July Fourth here, they will look like twins in height and weight.

Dempsey has more weight in his shoulders than Gibbons. The Contender's poundage is more evenly distributed. Dempsey will weigh 188 pounds and Gibbons, 185 in fighting condition.

In height the champion has a slight margin. He is 6 feet 1 inch. Gibbons is 6 feet and three-fourths inches tall.

As to their necks Gibbons wears a 17 collar—Dempsey a 16½ inch one.

Dempsey's chest is the biggest. His breathing box is 42 inches, normal, and 45 expanded. The Gibbons chest is 40, normal, and 44 expanded.

Gibbons has a 34-inch waist. Dempsey's is 33 inches.



JACK DEMPSEY Dempsey's arms are bigger. His biceps are 18¾ inches, his forearm 14¾, his wrist 9. The biceps of Gibbons is 14¾ inches, his forearm 13, his wrist 9.

Through the thigh Dempsey is an inch thicker. He tapes 23 inches. The Gibbons thigh is 22 inches. They measure the same at the calf—15¼ inches. Each has a 9-inch ankle.

Their reaches are practically the same—74 inches. Now for their records.

Gibbons was born at St. Paul, Minn., March 22, 1891. He is 32 now.

Dempsey was born at Manassa, Colo., June 24, 1895. He will be 28 soon.

Gibbons has been boxing since 1913. Dempsey started boxing in 1915.

In the number of ring battles Gibbons leads. He has had 88 fights. Dempsey has fought 60 times.

Gibbons has never been knocked out—has never been knocked down.

Dempsey has been knocked out once—by Jim Flynn in one round and has been off his feet perhaps a dozen times. Gibbons has lost but one decision in his life—that to Harry Greb. His loss to Billy Miske on a foul does not count against him. Most of the newspaper men and Chairman William Muldoon of the New York boxing commission gave the fight to Gibbons on a knockout to the stomach.

Their knockout records run a close race. Gibbons has put 37 opponents to sleep—Dempsey, 40. The St. Paul fighter has knocked out 33 out of his last 36 starts.

Here is another thing—and it is greatly in favor of the Contender. Gibbons has had 34 fights and has been boxing regularly from 1921 up until a month ago. Dempsey has had but one battle—that his four-round knockout of Carpentier during the same time. That's that—and a big THAT.

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Manager Kearns Expects Hard Fight for Champ

JACK KEARNS believes implicitly in the CHAMPION. Jack Dempsey believes implicitly in his MANAGER. Kearns looks after the money. Dempsey looks after the fighting.

"I look for Dempsey to have trouble with Tommy Gibbons on July Fourth," says Kearns. "The fighter who comes to Dempsey will fall. But the fighter who steps in and steps out will bother the Champ. If Gibbons elects to slug with Jack he won't last any longer than Carpentier. I have always thought Carp a great fighter, but he didn't use the right tactics with Dempsey. If Gibbons weaves in and out the fight may go the limit.

"Both Dempsey and Gibbons weigh around 190 now. Gibbons will probably train off more than the Champ. I think Dempsey is too light at this stage of his training. He hasn't enough to work on.

"Dempsey is ready to go in there as he is now. I intend to lay him off part of the time. He'd burn himself out if I let him.

"English Billy Wells rates as one of the best boxers in the country now. Gibbons is just about as clever. I saw Wells work with Dempsey in camp. Wells can't hit Dempsey now. The Champ ducks and slips punches, judging them to a fraction of an inch. He hasn't fought for two years, but his judge of distance seems as good as ever. A fellow who likes to fight as good as Dempsey never gets out of shape.

"I don't think Gibbons is going to hit Dempsey very often. If he does the best asset the Champ has is that he can TAKE IT. I've seen him shaken from toe to head with a wallop but he always comes back with his ace in the hole—his PUNCH.

"Dempsey is high strung—but not nervous. It isn't nerves. It's energy that burns him up and keeps him fidgety and jumpy.

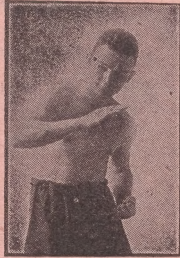
"We never have any battle plans before a fight—that is nothing set or anything like that. Before the Willard fight at Toledo I did tell him to walk out to Jess, feint and step back to see what the big fellow would do. He did. Willard let one go. It missed Jack as far as from here to that door. There's nothing that takes the confidence out of a man so quick as to miss a punch.

"Dempsey's fists don't travel far. But there's a kick in them that would upset a building. Gibbons is a good hitter, too. He may be able to make Dempsey miss. You can't never tell.

"If we could dope out a fight before they get into the ring there wouldn't be any fights. It can't be done. That's boxing."

Gibbons Will Practice on Four Kinds of Punching Bags

FOUR kinds of punching bags will get Tom Gibbons in tune to battle Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight title of the world here, July Fourth. They are—HUMAN, SAND, SPRINGS and AIR. On each of them will be painted an imaginary Dempsey chin and solar plexus spot.



TOM GIBBONS

Gibbons will use approximately 1,520 pounds of human beef in his daily workouts. So far he has selected three heavies, two light-heavies, one middleweight and two bantams for his shock absorbing department. The 200-pound bimbos will be Jack Clifford of St. Paul, Bud Gorman of Racine, Wis., and Joe Burke of Detroit. The light-heavies will be Jimmy Delaney of St. Paul and Harry Foley of Little Rock, Ark. Mark Moore of Minneapolis is a scheduled middleweight. Sammy Mandell and Bud Taylor of Chicago represent the bantam speed. Others will be shipped in as Gibbons wears them down.

They say Gibbons does not intend to pull his punches in shaping for this match. If his human targets do not keep out of his range they are going to take the consequences.

This outlay represents every style of boxer and fighter. While Gibbons knows he is fighting a fighter in Dempsey, yet he plans to use a change of pace on the champion. Dempsey will beat down any man living that slugs with him. But he never met a man who is both a moving and a kick-back target.

Besides the human punching bags Gibbons will use three leather absorbers. One is the big sand bag like the Big Bertha Dempsey mauls. Another is a stationary spring bag. It is a recent patent of his brother, Mike. Nothing equals it as a developer of the knockout smack. It is fastened on the wall. Heavy springs, felt and leather are used in its makeup. It has the strength of a million chins. Also Gibbons will do a lot of playing with the air-filled standard bag. There's speed-building and judge-of-distance practice in it.

There they are—the four kinds of punching bags which Gibbons will peg into with his knockout knuckles.

The Gibbons head is not a hatrack. He studies styles like a woman digests a pattern book.

He shook a half million hands on his recent tour. In each shake was a "I'm pulling for you to win, Tom." So far as Montana's mind is concerned Dempsey is flat on the linen right now.

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GREAT FALLS PREPARES FOR CARAVAN OF TOURISTS

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—Expecting a regular caravan of tourists through here early in July on their way to the Dempsey-Gibbons fight at Shelby, Mont., on July 4th, this city is making preparations to take care of the visitors. Besides the regular tourist park, another space that will handle a thousand cars, has been laid out.

The park can hold 500. It is situated on the Custer Battlefield highway, near the center of the town and on the Missouri River.

Parks are few in this section of the country, but Great Falls supports an excellent one. Somebody said that every blade of grass in Great Falls cost the taxpayers a dollar, but it's worth it.

The tourist park boasts of water taps, oil stoves and shower baths.

Great Falls also has three first class hotels that compare with any in the country. They are up to date in every particular, and the cuisine and service cannot be improved upon.

Great Falls wants Shelby to go over big on this affair.

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JACK KEARNS
Manager of Cham-
pion Jack Dempsey

Eugene Criqui Wins World Featherweight Title By Knocking Out Johnny Kilbane in Sixth Round

French Boxer Who Is Survivor of the Battle of Verdun Lands Crushing Right to Veteran Champion's Jaw—Kilbane Had Better of Fight on Points Up to Sudden Termination—Johnny Dundee Loses Junior Lightweight Crown to Jack Bernstein on Decision in 15 Rounds—
Eastern Boxing News.

BY CLARENCE S. GILLESPIE

NEW YORK CITY—Eugene Criqui, French veteran of the world war, who lost part of his jaw when a German bullet crashed through it at Verdun, won the featherweight championship of the world by knocking out Champion Johnny Kilbane in the sixth round of a scheduled 15-round bout at the Polo Grounds here June 2.

Criqui landed a terrific right hand punch on Kilbane's jaw after one minute and 54 seconds of fighting in the sixth round.

Kilbane tried to get up at the count of five but could not make it, and he fell back to the floor of the ring.

Referee Appell started a wholly unnecessary count and then thinking better of it, motioned the seconds of the fallen champion to assist him to his corner. The knockout was as sudden as a bolt of lightning from a blue sky. Up to the time it arrived the dethroned champion had been exhibiting his skill at the expense of the Frenchman, smiling serenely and blandly as he did so. He carried the first and fourth rounds by a wide margin, and was well in the lead on points when the knockout blow landed.

Promoters of the bout lost approximately \$50,000 on the match it was estimated. The attendance was given as about 20,000 with receipts of \$91,000.

Kilbane was said to have received \$65,000 and \$10,000 for training expenses. Criqui received \$25,000 and \$5,000 for training. Other expenses were estimated to have brought the total outlay of Tom O'Rourke and associates to \$140,000.

FIGHT BY ROUNDS

ROUND ONE—Kilbane led with a light left hook and he missed another and took a left jab to the jaw in return. Kilbane was very fast on his feet and Criqui was unable to put a glove on him. The American landed left hook full to the jaw and Criqui finally landed to the body. He missed the body with a left jab. Kilbane's left twice jabbed Criqui's nose. Criqui was short with the jab. Johnny picked off two of the Frenchman's punches and danced away. Criqui missed a wild right swing. Kilbane landed a stiff left jab and jumped away from a right counter. Criqui put a right to the body. Johnny landed a left and right to the head at the bell. Kilbane's round.

ROUND TWO—Criqui came out swinging both hands but did no damage. Kilbane was short with a left jab and wild with a right hook. Criqui sent successive left jabs to Kilbane's head. Kilbane landed a left hook. Criqui brought over a right to the body and proceeded to charge in, but Kilbane easily smothered his punches and smiled blandly. In a clinch Criqui chopped Kilbane on the jaw with an inside right uppercut. The American replied with a left hook to the jaw. Kilbane

landed a light left jab. The fight was very tame so far. Criqui tipped Kilbane's nose with a flailing right hook. The crowd became restive at this point and began to tender the principals the well-known Bronx cheer, just as the bell ended the round. Round even.

ROUND THREE—They went into a clinch and Criqui was wild with a right swing. Kilbane landed two left hooks and took a right upper cut to the jaw. Criqui landed a light left on the head, Kilbane coming back with a left to the face. Johnny swung his left repeatedly at Criqui's head but there was little enthusiasm behind the punches. He stepped away as the Frenchman rushed in. He smiled as he picked off the latter's lead. He tied Criqui up like a department store bundle. The Frenchman, however, landed a left and right to the stomach and a moment later drove a hard right to Kilbane's body. Kilbane was short with a short left hook. Johnny socked the Frenchman on the jaw with a hard right but the latter landed a left and right to the body. He followed it with an overhand left behind the ears. Kilbane landed a left hook to the head. Round even.

ROUND FOUR—Kilbane came out dancing like a kangaroo and brought over a left to the jaw. He made Criqui miss with a right and countered with a right to the head. He was inside a series of punches that the Frenchman tried to bring over and danced about him. He smiled incessantly. He landed a left hook and followed with two hard rights. Criqui was hanging on desperately. Kilbane scored a left jab and right to the head. Kilbane was inside another lead and countered to the jaw with the left. Criqui found the body. Kilbane scored heavily to the body. He was just a little short with a terrific right uppercut. Kilbane was giving Criqui a boxing lesson. He landed two left hooks to the head and followed with a hard right. Criqui kept boring in but got nowhere. He was short with a left hook and Johnny landed a right to the body. Both scored left jabs at the bell. Kilbane's round.

ROUND FIVE—Kilbane jabbed to the face twice and danced away from Criqui's lead. Criqui ducked under a left hook and jabbed Johnny's face in return. In a clinch he brought two right uppercuts to the jaw. Kilbane, however, was all gloves. Hit the Frenchman with an overhand right and danced away as the latter attempted to come in close. Criqui landed a right to the body and followed with a hard left to the jaw, a moment later he landed right to the jaw, but Kilbane came out fresh and replied with a hard right to Criqui's head. Criqui landed two left jabs to the head and drove Johnny's head back with another left to the head and landed a left to the body. Criqui beat Kilbane to the punch with a left to the head he was wild with a right to the body. Criqui's round.

ROUND SIX—Johnny took smelling salts between rounds. Johnny clinched as Criqui swung his right. Criqui swung short. On another attack Johnny swung right to head. Johnny was bleeding from mouth as he gave ground to Frenchman. Kilbane sent right hook and clinched. Johnny swung right and left and missed. Both uppercut with right. Criqui was just as fiery as ever. He swung right to head, and down went Kilbane. The referee counted to five and seeing that Kilbane was completely knocked out proclaimed Criqui the winner.

Johnny Dundee blew his junior lightweight title to Jack Bernstein in a 15-round bout at the Velodrome, New York, May 30, that was full of thrills. In the third round Jack took

a left hook behind the ear and it looked as if the fight was over. He got up at the count of eight, however, and finished the round rather wobbly. The fight was close with Bernstein having the better of the exchanges, and with a fair lead in most of the rounds. There was quite a howl from the Dundee supporters who had offered as good as three to one on his chances. The verdict was rendered by Kid McPartland and a chap named Barnes as judges, with Patsey Haley as referee. No better set of judges could decide a fistie battle, and their verdict was the only one that could be given. The receipts were \$37,037, of which Dundee received 37½ per cent, or \$13,194.43. It is said that Bernstein fought for the usual 12½ per cent that is allowed a challenger. However we guess he got a little better than that amount.

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Billy Defoe, a great little battler fought Benny Valger in a 12-round bout at the Queensboro Stadium, Long Island City, May 29, and while he lost the decision to his clever opponent, he carried the battle to him all the way. It was a bad match for Billy, as he had been coming along in great shape, and was in line for some big things during the open air season.

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Everything is all set for the Jess Willard and Luis Firpo scrap. It will come off at Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, July 7, and will be twelve rounds. On the same card Floyd Johnson will box Jack McAuliffe, and Cliff Kramer meets Tiny Herman.

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Johnny Herman, the crack Brooklyn welterweight, defeated Jimmy Kelly in a fast 12-round bout at the opening of the Steeplechase Boxing Club, Rockaway Beach, June 1. Herman is a pleasing fighter, and is sure to be heard from in the future. He is no newcomer as he has fought Jock Malone twice and also met Soldier Bartfield and Phil Bloom.

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Jack Rosenberg, a likely looking lightweight, has deserted the amateurs and turned pro. He will engage in a few short bouts during the summer, and then after the topnotchers when the fall season opens.

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Jackie Coburn, who had won 24 straight battles, lost his first decision when Jackie Harris defeated him at the Ridgewood Grove Club, Brooklyn,

Tom Andrews' Timely Ring Gossip

MILWAUKEE—Hail the new featherweight champion of the world—Eugene Criqui of France!

Exit Johnny Kilbane, ex-champion of the world, and holder of the title for 13 years!



Tom B. Andrews

The French soldier boy won his new crown when he knocked out Kilbane in six rounds at the Polo Baseball grounds, New York. For four rounds the old master, Kilbane, played with his younger opponent, using all the ring craft he knew and sending home some mighty hefty blows, but the survivor of the battle of Verdun, with a new jaw made of a rib, just kept coming until he tired the veteran and then put home the blows to the jaw that won him the title. It was a popular victory, even to the Americans, who felt that Kilbane had reached the end of his long career, and as Johnny said after the fight: "I am glad the French boy won, as long as I had to lose, for no other was more deserving."

Why many of the critics could not see Criqui winning before the fight is hard to imagine. Had they studied his record they would have discovered that he had beaten some real classy feathers. His work the past year had been high class and with his youth he certainly had every reason to believe he could win from the veteran Kilbane.

Johnny Kilbane held the championship longer than any other boxer before him—13 years. During his career he did not defend the title as often as the public would have liked, but he was always on deck when the proper time came. He was a credit to the game and can retire to his home in Cleveland, Ohio, with the respect of the sporting world. Johnny was born in 1889 and started boxing in 1907. He won the title from clever Abe Attell, February 22, 1912, at Vernon, Cal., when he outpointed him in a 20-round battle before Tom McCarey's club. In 1913 Kilbane defended his title against Johnny Dundee, ex-junior lightweight champion now, and they fought a 20-round draw at the McCarey club. In 1916 Matt Hinkle matched up Kilbane with George Chaney of Baltimore, known as the knockout king. They fought at Cedar Point, O., near Cleveland, and Johnny won by a K. O. in three rounds. It must be said that Chaney was badly weakened by making the 122-pound mark. Kilbane thought he could give away weight to Benny Leonard and they were booked for a meeting at Philadelphia in 1917, but he made a

mistake as Benny knocked him out in three rounds. Then came the Danny Frush bout at Cleveland, O., in 1921, for the title, Kilbane winning on a technical knockout in seven rounds. It was claimed that Johnny fouled Frush, but the referee said otherwise and his decision was final.

Criqui was born in 1893 and he had his first boxing bout in 1910. He served through the world war and in 1920-21 made a tour of Australia, defeating the best boys in the Antipodes. He knocked out Charley Ledoux in one round in 1922, and followed by stopping Arthur Wyns, former champion of Europe, and then winning from Billy Matthews of England, on a technical knockout in 12 rounds, which gave him the European title. Good luck to the French lad and may his career be as brilliant as Kilbane's.

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Since the Leonard-Mitchell battle there have been many fierce arguments as to whether Pinky lost his junior welterweight title and whether Benny fouled him when he delivered the second blow after the knock-down or not. The fact is, Mitchell does not lose his junior title for the simple reason that Leonard failed to weigh in at 140 pounds, as the weights were supposed to be, indicating that he was above that mark. Pinky did scale in at 139. Good judges estimated that Benny must have scaled around 144 to 146 pounds when he entered the ring; his legs were very heavy to what they have been in previous contests and he carried a lot of superfluous flesh about his body. He was strong, but it is doubtful whether the extra poundage really helped him much; he would have been faster at 138 than at 144. It bears out reports that Benny has been getting heavier of late and it is a question whether he will be able to make the 135-pound notch for Lew Tendler, challenger, when they meet in the east for the lightweight championship, it being understood that the match is practically arranged now.

During the early rounds of the contest with Mitchell the lightweight champion showed plainly that he is not in condition for a big championship match by any means. His judgment of distance was very bad at times and his heavy breathing between rounds proved that his wind was far from being right. Of course it was his first battle in nearly a year and that no doubt accounts for his poor work at times. Had Mitchell taken the aggressive and forced Leonard more it is a question whether Benny would have been able to make the finish he did. Pinky had the advantage of a longer reach and a peach of a left hand, but he did not profit by it; instead he was content for six rounds to let the champion do the leading, depending on his countering to get home a few solid blows. Up to the seventh round there was really

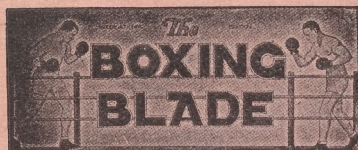
little damage done to either and little to choose between them, although Benny had been scoring more frequently, but in that session both cut loose and sent home real wallops intended for sleep producers. From that point on Mitchell got into the fighting and in the ninth rushed the champion about the ring like a madman. Pinky had all the best of the round.

With the tenth round full of action and the crowd cheering like wild, Leonard delivered what Pinky claimed was a low blow. He put out both hands as if to shake, as boxers do, but Benny said: "Oh, come on and fight." That is where Pinky fell for the talking game and it was where the champion landed his right to the jaw, putting Pinky down. The referee should have sent Leonard to the opposite side of the ring while counting, but he did not, although they were supposed to be fighting under the N. B. A., rules which plainly stipulate that where a knockdown occurs the one scoring it must go to the farthest point from the scene. Instead, Leonard hovered near Pinky and as the latter started to get up at the count of four or five, Benny was on top of him and let go another blow to the head, toppling him over. From where I sat it appeared as though Pinky was not off his knee when the blow was delivered, but whether it was foul or not I could not definitely say. However, the referee should have given him the count, which would not have gone to "ten" as there remained only about five seconds at the time before the sounding of the final bell. Pinky demands another battle with Leonard and he has a right to ask it, but it should be at 140 pounds and not catchweights.

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When a promoter of boxing events stages a show and takes in \$54,175, and loses money on the venture it is about time to put out the "help" sign. According to all accounts that is what happened at Chicago with the Benny Leonard—Pinky Mitchell bout. The receipts were as stated above. Leonard received \$25,479 for his trouble while Mitchell was down for \$10,835. The preliminaries were supposed to cost over \$12,000, with other expenses, such as publicity, rent, etc., running around \$7,000 or more. That would total \$55,314, leaving a loss of over \$1,000. The charity end of the affair was supposed to get 15 per cent of all tickets sold by the ladies' committees, but they could not have disposed of many as their end amounted to only \$24.35. The stars of the boxing world have been grabbing off all the big money lately while the lesser lights take what is left and the promoters have to hunt for their's. Even the big affair which Tex Rickard staged at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey, with Carpentier and Dempsey as the magnet, drawing over \$1,500,000 netted

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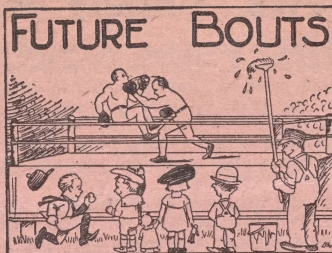
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It is unfortunate for the boxing game that the Benny Leonard-Pinky Mitchell contest at Chicago, with all the fine trimmings and a charity affair attachment, should be turned into a riotous scene just at a time when it appeared that the whole thing would end in a blaze of glory. The trouble started five seconds before the end of the program, with everything proceeding harmoniously, and with the announcement a few minutes previously that the legislature at Springfield, Ill., had passed the boxing bill by a good majority, which might mean legalized boxing for the state of Illinois.

What result the rioting will have on the final passage of the boxing bill remains to be seen, but it is certain the would-be reformers will take advantage of the mix-up to try and kill the bill. Such an affair should not stop the passage of the proposed bill; on the contrary it should be the means of helping the bill through, as it is evident to all that if boxing is to be tolerated at all in the state it should be under proper regulation, the same as in Wisconsin and other states.

With all the howl against the boxing game it must be remembered that riots are not confined to boxing shows by any means. Riots of a more serious nature have been frequent on the baseball fields of most of the big league clubs in this country, so why try to make it appear so much worse because it happened to be at a boxing match that the principals became tangled in a free-for-all? Similar scenes have been enacted on the race tracks of America and at football games, so be fair and treat the boxing mixup in the same manner.



Jack Dempsey vs. Tom Gibbons, 15 rounds, Shelby, Mont., July 4th.

Georges Carpentier vs. Joe Beckett, 20 rounds, London, England, June 14th.

Mike McTigue vs. Georges Carpentier, New York City, Aug. 11th.

"Battling" Siki vs. Marcel Nilles, 20 rounds, Paris, France, July 8th.

Jimmy Wilde vs. Pancho Villa, 15 rounds, New York City, June 16th.

Billy Britton vs. Harry Krohn, 15 rounds, Dewey, Okla., July 4th.

Johnnie Tillman vs. Morrie Schlaifer, 10 rounds, St. Joseph, Mo., June 18th.

Johnny O'Donnell vs. Roscoe Hall, 3 rounds, Des Moines, Iowa, June 15th.

Gunner Joe Quinn vs. Jimmy Nuss, 10 rounds, Appleton, Wis., July 4th.

Pal Moran vs. Lew Tendler, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 18th.

Tommy Loughran vs. Jeff Smith, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 18th.

Andy (Kid) Palmer vs. Lou Bogash, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 18th.

Babe Herman vs. Cuddy De Marco, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 18th.

Billy Miske vs. Young Bob Fitzsimmons, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 25th.

Bobby Barrett vs. Johnny Donnelly, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 25th.

Jack Bernstein vs. Freddy Jackson, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 25th.

Eliino Flores vs. Eddie (Kid) Wagner, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 25th.

Mike McTigue vs. Tommy Loughran, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., June 25th.

Vic McLaughlin vs. Charley Arthurs, 12 rounds, Long Branch, N. J., June 15th.

Bud Christiano vs. Young Leonard, 15 rounds, New Orleans, June 15th.

Mel Coogan vs. Billy McCann, 15 rounds, New Orleans, La., June 11th.

Ray Pryel vs. Sammy Berne, 10 rounds, Erie, Pa., June 22nd.

Johnny Leonard vs. Eddie (Kid) Wagner, 12 rounds, Portland, Maine, June 12th.

Italian Joe Gans vs. Rocky Smith, 12 rounds, Albany, N. Y., June 12th.

Willie Davis vs. Joe LeBate, 10 rounds, Albany, N. Y., June 12th.

Ben Ponthieu vs. Young Mandeville, 10 rounds, Albany, N. Y., June 12th.

Danny Lee vs. Harry London, 12 rounds, in Harlem, New York City, June 16th.

Jock Malone vs. Speedy Sparks, 10 rounds, Cincinnati, Ohio, June 15th.

Australian Jim Tracy vs. Sam Langford, Mexico City, Mexico, June 17th.

Rosey Stoy vs. Joe O'Donnell, 10 rounds, Lancaster, Pa., June 11th.

Buck Fleming vs. Peter Husic, 10 rounds, Lancaster, Pa., June 11th.

Jackie Parks vs. Buck Williams, 8 rounds, Lancaster, Pa., June 11th.

Don Long vs. "Pekin" Kid Herman, 10 rounds, Colorado Springs, Colo., July 2nd.

Ted Krache vs. Jimmy Sacco, 6 rounds, Hoquiam, Wash., June 19th.

Bat Krause vs. Kid Webster, 10 rounds, Billings, Mont., June 15th.

Bat Krause vs. Eddie Engelhut, 10 rounds, Laurel, Mont., June 23rd.

Connie Curry vs. Newsboy Brown, 10 rounds, Sioux City, Iowa, June 13th.

Ray Carter vs. Sid Sandage, 6 rounds, Sioux City, Iowa, June 13th.

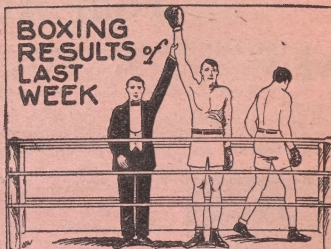
Earl Bourland vs. Kid Mack, 6 rounds, Sioux City, Iowa, June 13th.

Tony Zill vs. Bud Christiano, 12 rounds, Columbus, Ohio, June 15th.

Paul McGuire vs. Bat Stewart, 10 rounds, Jonlin, Mo., June 15th.

Frankie Carbone vs. Jackie Clarke, 10 rounds, Atlanta, Ga., June 22nd.

Bat Stewart vs. Kid Hartman, Wichita, Kans., June 12th.



EAST

Eugene Criqui knocked out Johnny Kilbane, sixth round at New York City, June 2nd.

Al Ziemer defeated Bill Levine, six rounds at New York City, June 2nd.

Jerry Mars defeated Mickey Brown at New York City, June 2nd.

Davy Jones and Jackie McCoy boxed four rounds to a draw at New York City, June 2nd.

Jack Bernstein defeated Johnny Dundee, fifteen rounds at New York City, May 30th.

Andy Chaney defeated Red Cap Wilson, twelve rounds at New York City, May 30th.

George Vanderbilt defeated Jole Schwartz, six rounds at New York City, May 30th.

Tony Vaccarelli defeated Leo Bender, four rounds at New York City, May 30th.

K. O. Phil Kaplan knocked out Jack McFarland, eighth round at New York City, May 28th.

Frankie Jerome knocked out Joe Geller, eighth round at New York City, May 28th.

Bill Tate knocked out Tom Corbett, fifth round at New York City, June 1st.

Henny Catena defeated Bobby Doyle, ten rounds in Harlem, New York City, May 26th.

Wilbur Cohen defeated Manny Wexler, ten rounds in Harlem, New York City, May 26th.

Willie Pfeiffer and Buddy Saunders boxed ten rounds to a draw in Harlem, New York City, May 26th.

Buck Josephs defeated Sonny Smith, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., May 26th.

Al Felder defeated Izzy Schwartz, at Brooklyn, N. Y., May 26th.

Johnny Clinton defeated Herb Brodie, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., May 28th.

Frankie La Fay defeated Dutch Brandt, twelve rounds at Troy, N. Y., May 28th.

Willie Davis and Harry Nelson boxed ten rounds to a draw at Troy, N. Y., May 28th.

Georgie Ward defeated Mike Dempsey, twelve rounds at Rochester, N. Y., May 28th.

Benny Valger defeated Billy De Foe, twelve rounds at Long Island City, N. Y., May 29th.

Abe Goldstein knocked out Willie Darcy, eighth round at Long Island City, N. Y., May 29th.

Frank Carbone defeated Jimmy Daren, twelve rounds at Albany, N. Y., May 29th.

Jimmy Fruzzetti defeated Red Mack, twelve rounds at Portland, Maine, May 28th.

Eddie Shevlin defeated Alex Trambitas, ten rounds at Woonsocket, R. I., May 30th.

Eddie Paul defeated Harry Mitchell at Woonsocket, R. I., May 30th.

Joe Lynch and Young Montreal boxed ten rounds to a draw at Providence, R. I., May 29th.

Larry Estridge defeated Sailor Darden, twelve rounds at Harrison, N. J., May 28th.

Pat Mills defeated Ray Mitchell, ten rounds to a draw at Providence, R. I., May 29th.

Larry Estridge defeated Sailor Darden, twelve rounds at Harrison, N. J., May 28th.

Pat Mills defeated Ray Mitchell, ten rounds at Trenton, N. J., May 29th.

Mickey Mooney defeated Sammy Fulton, ten rounds at Trenton, N. J., May 29th.

Eddie Burnbrook knocked out Phil Bloom, ninth round at Baltimore, Md., May 30th.

Tommy Phillips defeated K. O. Mars, twelve rounds at Wheeling, W. Va., May 30th.

Billy Carney defeated K. O. Lenney, ten rounds at Danbury, Conn., May 29th.

Newport Johnny Brown defeated Kid Duke, ten rounds at Cambridge, Mass., May 31st.

Eddie (Kid) Wagner defeated Mickey Travers, ten rounds at Boston, Mass., May 29th.

Archie Walker defeated Georgie Lee, ten rounds at Worcester, Mass., May 29th.

Charley Manty defeated Jimmy Cooney, ten rounds at New Bedford, Mass., June 1st.

Johnny Darcy defeated Wild Man Gould, ten rounds at Fall River, Mass., June 1st.

Len Brenner defeated Benny Schwartz, ten rounds at Lancaster, Pa., May 28th.

Jack West defeated Lew Dempsey at Lancaster, Pa., May 28th.

Bobby Burke defeated Al Moore at Lancaster, Pa., May 28th.

Eddie Billman knocked out Henner Cobb, fourth round at Lancaster, Pa., May 28th.

Correction—Our May 26th issue of The Boxing Blade in the Result Column, we published that Joe Garrity knocked out Eddie Record, first round at Lancaster, Pa., May 7th. From information and clipping received from Leo Hoock, Lancaster, Pa., Eddie Record knocked out Joe Garrity in the first round.

Nate Isaacson and Joe Dundee boxed ten rounds to a draw at Harrisburg, Pa., May 30th.

Little Jeff defeated Kid Fredericks, ten rounds at Harrisburg, Pa., May 30th.

Billy Pollock defeated Pep O'Brien, ten rounds at Scranton, Pa., May 31st.

Sailor Pacifico defeated Lew Herman at Scranton, Pa., May 31st.

Hoboken Joe Celmare defeated Roy King at Scranton, Pa., May 31st.

Mike Dallerino defeated Cuddy De Marco, ten rounds at Pittsburgh, Pa., May 28th.

Louis DeArado defeated Brickey Ryan, ten rounds at Pittsburgh, Pa., May 28th.

Frankie Williams won on a foul from Joey Marks at Philadelphia, Pa., May 28th.

K. O. Willie Loughlin defeated Johnny Gill, ten rounds at York, Pa., May 28th.

Tommy Murray defeated Eddie O'Dowd, twelve rounds at Erie, Pa., May 30th.

Jimmy Gordon defeated Billy Long, ten rounds at Terre Haute, Ind., May 30th.

Benny Hall defeated Kid Rhodes at Terre Haute, Ind., May 30th.

Bud Taylor defeated Johnny Sheppard, ten rounds at Indianapolis, Ind., May 28th.

Ted Joyce defeated Mog Pugh, twelve rounds at Youngstown, Ohio, May 29th.

Mickey O'Dowd defeated Willie Ames, ten rounds at Muncie, Ind., May 28th.

Ted Jamieson defeated Homer Smith, ten rounds at Kalamazoo, Mich., June 1st.

Young Fischer defeated Anthony Downey, twelve rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 28th.

Alex Novacky defeated Joe Carson, eight rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 28th.

Eddie Hennessey defeated Mickey O'Hara, six rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 28th.

Johnny Krohn defeated Frankie Mantell, ten rounds at Dayton, Ohio, May 28th.

Willie Walker knocked out Rudy Martens, eighth round at New York City, June 1st.

Italian Joe Gans knocked out Pat Walsh, tenth round at Long Island City, N. Y., June 1st.

Willie Kohler defeated Sid Bernard, ten rounds at Long Island City, N. Y., June 1st.

Johnny Reno defeated Johnny Leonard, ten rounds at Long Island City, N. Y., June 1st.

Larry Goldberg defeated Wee Willie Spencer, twelve rounds at Rockaway Beach, New York City, June 1st.

Johnny Herman defeated Jimmy Kelly, twelve rounds at Rockaway Beach, New York City, June 1st.

Al Skinner and Marty Powell boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Freeport, L. I., June 1st.

Frankie Zunner defeated Sonny Cashion, eight rounds at Freeport, L. I., June 1st.

Tommy Robson and Young Fisher boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Syracuse, N. Y., June 1st.

Rocky Smith defeated Harry Martone, twelve rounds at Hoboken, N. J., June 1st.

MIDDLE WEST

Benny Leonard won over Pinky Mitchell on a technical knockout in the tenth round at Chicago, Ill., May 29th.

Sammy Mandell defeated Frankie Garcia, eight round at Chicago, Ill., May 29th.

Charlie Glaser and Peewee Kaiser boxed eight rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., May 29th.

Lem Hurley knocked out Harold Smith, fifth round at Chicago, Ill., May 29th.

Joe Burman knocked out Patsy Flannigan, third round at Chicago, Ill., May 29th.

Frankie Callahan defeated Kid Julius, ten rounds at Quincy, Ill., May 29th.

Sammy Mandell knocked out Johnny Mahoney, fifth round at Waterloo, Iowa, May 31st.

Joe Mandell and Frankie Bush boxed eight rounds to a draw at Waterloo, Iowa, May 31st.

Hugh Walker defeated Ralph Brooks, ten rounds at Wichita, Kans., May 21st.

Hugh Walker knocked out Jack McCarty, fourth round at Joplin, Mo., June 2nd.

Harvey Thorpe knocked out Bulldog Brady, first round at Joplin, Mo., May 21st.

"Rusty" Evans defeated Clark Connors, six rounds at Sioux City, Iowa, May 26th.

Walter Moody and Johnny Showers boxed eight rounds to a draw at Dubuque, Iowa, May 29th.

Billy Atkinson and Johnny Phillips boxed eight rounds to a draw at Joplin, Mo., June 2nd.

Ray Gatewood defeated Cecil Brown, four rounds at Joplin, Mo., June 2nd.

Billy Kautz knocked out Frankie Conley, fourth round at Racine, Wis., May 28th.

Jimmy Smith knocked out Young Dundee, first round at Racine, Wis., May 28th.

Georgie Peck knocked out Danny Maher, second round at Racine, Wis., May 28th.

Billy Gren defeated Harry Haley, six rounds at Racine, Wis., May 28th.

Herb Schweitzer defeated Battling Commadore, four rounds at Racine, Wis., May 28th.

SOUTH

Anthony Downey defeated Young Fisher, twelve rounds at Covington, Ky., May 28th.

Alex Novecky and Joe Carson boxed eight rounds to a draw at Covington, Ky., May 28th.

Basile Galiano defeated Pal Moran, fifteen rounds at New Orleans, La., May 28th.

Eddie Brady knocked out Ray Dolan, fifth round at New Orleans, La., May 28th.

Young Sharkey knocked out Al Zainey, eighth round at Memphis, Tenn., May 28th.

Joe Anderson defeated Young Jack Dillon, ten rounds at Ft. Thomas, Ky., May 30th.

Marvel Marz and Billy Sullivan boxed six rounds to a draw at Ft. Thomas, Ky., May 30th.

Rustio Russell knocked out Bob Leopard, second round at Ft. Thomas, Ky., May 30th.

Midget Guery knocked out Dutch Etzel, second round at Ft. Thomas, Ky., May 30th.

Frankie Carbone and Jack Clarke boxed ten rounds to a draw at Atlanta, Ga., June 2nd.

Cole Miller and Jimmy Conway boxed ten rounds to a draw at Atlanta, Ga., May 31st.

Miller DuBois defeated Frank Westfall, four rounds at Atlanta, Ga., May 31st.

Jack Dalton defeated Pete McCarty, at Idaho, Okla., May 28th.

Harry Kabakoff knocked out Tony Caponi, third round at St. Louis, Mo., May 29th.

Jimmy Finley knocked out Jack Ranch, seventh round at Louisville, Ky., June 1st.

Midget Mike O'Dowd and Jackie Dugan boxed ten rounds to a draw at Louisville, Ky., June 1st.

Billy Cecil defeated Danny McAulliff, eight rounds at Louisville, Ky., June 1st.

Billy Conley knocked out Jack Curley, second round at Shreveport, La., June 4th.

FAR WEST

George Manley won on a foul from "Cyclone" Rogers in the third round at Eaton, Colo., May 25th.

Kid Mex defeated Otto Wallace, twelve rounds at Pueblo, Colo., June 1st.

Bobby Moore knocked out Lee O'Dair, third round at Rawlins, Wyo., June 1st.

Jimmy Cole knocked out Ludwig Jones, sixth round at Wallace, Idaho, May 26th.

CANADA

Vic Foley defeated Johnny McManus, ten rounds at Vancouver, B. C., June 1st.

Heinie Zimmerman defeated Marty Foley, six rounds at Vancouver, B. C., June 1st.

Bert Schneider defeated Mixer Mitchell, twelve rounds at Montreal, Quebec, June 1st.

PACIFIC COAST

Billy Gordeau defeated Kid Bucumk, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

Tommy Gardner defeated Al Hoag, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

George Gibbons defeated Sailor Bogardus, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

California Johnny Tillman knocked out Bob Frazee, fourth round at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

Henry Foligano defeated Charlie Bell, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

Art Walker knocked out Dick Allen, first round at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

Eddie Hadden knocked out Jimmy Ryan, first round at San Francisco, Calif., May 31st.

Young McGovern defeated Mike O'Leary, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Charley Sullivan defeated Tim Callaghan,

four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Sunny Jim defeated Jack Inman, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Gene Watson and Eddie White boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

"Sailor" Smith defeated Bobby Gray, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Johnny Burns and Micky Rockson boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Ernest Lundgren defeated Billy Spring, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., May 25th.

Sailor Steve Bliss and Kid Mexico boxed four rounds to a draw at Delhi, Calif., May 31st.

Weldon (Tuffy) Wing defeated Sailor Frank Kramer, four rounds at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Jackie Norman knocked out Frankie Jerome, fourth round at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Dick Dixon defeated Art Stringer, four rounds at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Sailor Constantine defeated Joe Avery, four rounds at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Joe Behan defeated Bud Lewis, four rounds at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Frankie Tierney and Joe Thaney boxed four rounds to a draw at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Young Valinda defeated Joe Rooney, four rounds at San Pedro, Calif., May 31st.

Bert Colima defeated Frankie Murphy, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Jack Griffin defeated Terry Adams, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Red Cole defeated George Sherman, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Benny Marks defeated Frankie Novey, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Bud Nolan and Joe Grimm boxed four rounds to a draw at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

George Sirey defeated Babe Connors, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Joe Bell defeated Johnny Brannigan, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., May 29th.

Joe Gorman and Bud Ridley boxed ten rounds to a draw at Portland, Ore., May 31st.

Frank Grandetta defeated Abe Gordon, ten rounds at Portland, Ore., May 31st.

Billy Leonard knocked out Johnny Clark, second round at Portland, Ore., May 31st.

Jimmy Jones knocked out Fred Burns, third round at Portland, Ore., May 31st.

Eddie Richards knocked out Young Rivers, second round at Portland, Ore., May 31st.

Frank Farmer defeated Billy Shade, six rounds at Tacoma, Wash., May 24th.

Chuck Hellman and Eddie Neil boxed six rounds to a draw at Tacoma, Wash., May 24th.

Billy Morrow defeated Bud Martin, four rounds at Tacoma, Wash., May 24th.

Solly Seaman defeated Johnny Jordan, six rounds at Tacoma, Wash., May 31st.

Morgan Jones defeated Eddie Shannon, six rounds at Tacoma, Wash., May 31st.

Frankie Zink and Billy Young boxed four rounds to a draw at Tacoma, Wash., May 31st.

Eddie McCarthy knocked out Billy Lang, third round at Tacoma, Wash., May 31st.

Jimmy Sacco and Young Carmen boxed six rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., May 29th.

Eddie Landon defeated Joe Dunn, six rounds at Seattle, Wash., May 29th.

Benny Shannon defeated Sailor Joe McKensy at Seattle, Wash., May 29th.

Al Brett knocked out Sailor Franklin, second round at Seattle, Wash., May 29th.

Ed McGowan and Chick Tabit boxed four rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., May 29th.

Jimmy Dale defeated Roy Small at Centralia, Wash., May 31st.

Al Gowers knocked out Soldier Riley, second round at Centralia, Wash., May 31st.

Eddie Brock knocked out Joe Bullock, third round at Centralia, Wash., May 31st.

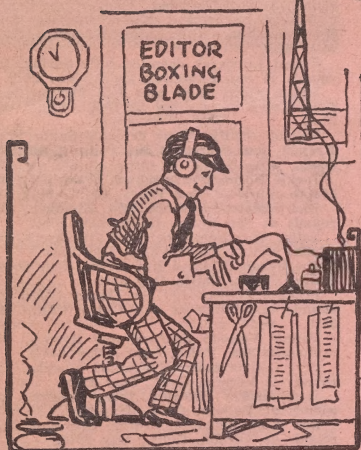
Ed Tingsley defeated Barney Williams, at Centralia, Wash., May 31st.

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BOXING NEWS



BOXING IN CHICAGO BANNED BY MAYOR

Chicago — Mayor Devor confirmed reports that as a result of the riotous scenes following the defeat of "Pinkney" Mitchell by Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, he would sanction no more boxing shows.

"That boxing is dead in Chicago as far as I am concerned is right," said the mayor.

"I do not want to close the city up tight, but something must be done to have affairs such as boxing staged in a decent and respectable way. I had fully recognized that regularly organized clubs and societies could give boxing exhibitions with no great harm, but it is impossible to keep it out of the hands of people who spoil the sport.

"Some doubt was expressed as to the legality of these exhibitions, and by an opinion rendered by the corporation counsel, I have been advised that such exhibitions have been illegal."

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CUBAN WELTER KAYOS FIRPO SETUP IN WORKOUT

Havana, Cuba—The boxing bout between Luis Angel Firpo, the South American heavyweight, and Joe White, of New York, which was scheduled here was called off. During a sparring match with Estanislao Frias, a Cuban colored welterweight, White was twice knocked out by the lighter man with twelve-ounce gloves.

The crowd which was witnessing the training bout made a noisy demonstration, and it was necessary for the police to take charge of the situation. The Cuban Boxing Commission, three members of which were at the ringside, immediately convened and reached a decision disqualifying White as an unfit opponent for Firpo.

Benny Leonard Given Technical Kayo Over Pinkey Mitchell; Riot Follows Descision

CHICAGO — Benny Leonard world lightweight champion, scored a technical knockout over "Pinkey" Mitchell, junior welterweight champion, in the tenth round, with only five more seconds to go, here May 29.

Just before the bell in the last round, Leonard drove a terrific right smash to Mitchell's chin and he crumpled to the canvas in a heap.

Referee Dave Miller counted five and "Pinkey" wobbled to a half standing position when Leonard closed in with another smashing right to the mouth that again sent the Milwaukee boy to the mat. Miller made no attempt to count on this knockdown but walked over to the lightweight champion and raised his arm in a token of victory. Miller's act was apparently a hasty one, because Mitchell although stunned was not hopelessly out and would have probably stuck out the round, for he had only five seconds more to go.

Enraged by the referee's ruling, Richie Mitchell, brother of the beaten man, walked to the center of the ring and clouted Referee Miller in the mouth.

Miller traded punches with Mitchell until the police interfered. Freddie Saddy also joined the battle. It took the police several minutes to stop the free-for-all. The

police used their night sticks freely before quieting the mob.

Frankie Garcia of the North Side dropped a close and exciting decision to Sammy Mandell, the Rockford flash, in an eight round bout. Mandell employed a lightning left to the mouth and nose, while Garcia shot a heavy right to the pit. It was a grueling bout all the way.

Johnny ("Peewee") Kaiser of St. Louis defeated Charlie Glaser in an eight round bout at 122 pounds. Glaser got off like a sure winner by staggering Kaiser in the first round with a right cross. The bout was even for the next two sessions, but Glaser tired after the fourth.

Lew Hurley of New York scored a technical knockout over Harold Smith of the yards in the fifth round of a scheduled eight-round bout. Lew nearly severed Harold's left ear from the head with a slashing right cross. The member was hanging loosely when Lew appealed to Referee Charley Levins to stop the bout. The battle was a thriller from the start, with Lew having a slight shade up to the finish.

Joe Burman of the North Side scored a technical knockout over Patsy Flannigan of St. Louis when Flannigan went down without being hit in the third round.

SAMMY KELLY, NOTED FEATHERWEIGHT BOXER, DIES

New York—Sammy Kelly, internationally known in the early nineties as one of the best American featherweight boxers and of late years an associate in business with Charles Stoneham, president of the Grants, died here May 29 of pneumonia, following a cold contracted a month ago.

Kelly's greatest triumph in the ring came when he traveled all the way to England and knocked out Billy Plimmer in twenty rounds at Birmingham on March 8, 1897.

Plimmer had just met George Dixon and was looked upon as unbeatable in his own country. After defeating

Plimmer, Kelly went to France where he was lionized.

In all his career Kelly lost only one decision, which went to Marty McCue, afterwards Assemblyman at Albany, in ten rounds in Harlem.

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PUBLICITY MAN SUES WILLARD FOR \$12,000

Los Angeles—Gene Doyle, formerly publicity agent for Jess Willard, announces here he has filed in New York a suit against his former employer for \$12,000, which he asserts is due him for services rendered.

Doyle said he persuaded Willard to attempt a comeback, and that it was publicity which he gave Willard that brought offers for bouts.

OF THE WORLD

PETE HERMAN REGAINS SIGHT IN ONE EYE

New Orleans—Peter Herman, former bantamweight champion, his eyesight partially restored after almost a year of total blindness, declared he would return to the boxing game.

"I am planning on getting into the manager's end of the fight game," Herman said. "I do not expect my eyesight will ever be good enough again to warrant my return to the ring."

Herman lost the sight of his right eye shortly after an exhibition charity bout in Philadelphia seven years ago. He kept on fighting, however, and won many big decisions, until a year ago, when his left eye began to fail him, and he was soon totally blind.

Recently the bandages he had worn over his eyes for three months were removed, and he discovered he had regained partial sight.

"It was one of the happiest moments of my life," he said, "when those bandages were removed, and I saw the light of day once more, I felt like a new man. It will be a thrill to go about town again and see my friends. And I hope I can get back into the boxing game. There are some good fighters here in New Orleans and I want to make champions out of them."

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JEFFRIES TO SEE DEMPSEY-GIBBONS BOUT

Los Angeles—James J. Jeffries, former heavyweight champion boxer, announced that he planned to go to Shelby, Mont., to see the match between Jack Dempsey and Tom Gibbons of St. Paul. Jeffries said he believed Gibbons had a chance to win.

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McTIGUE-CARPENTIER BOUT POSTPONED

New York—The bout between Mike McTigue and Georges Carpentier has been postponed from July 14 to Aug. 11 by Tex Rickard, at the request of the Frenchman, who recently injured one of his hands. The bout will be held at Boyle's thirty acres, Jersey City.

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SIKI MAKES PARIS POLICE LEARN BOXING

Paris, France—Battling Siki, the Senegalese lightweight, who knocked out Georges Carpentier, did not reign long as champion, but he reigned long enough to make the Paris police force take up boxing. Difficulties the police encountered with Siki when he was "celebrating" in the Montmartre caused the introduction of a class in pugilism at police headquarters.

ROLAND TODD OUTPOINTS AUGIE RATNER IN LONDON

London—Roland Todd defeated Augie Ratner of New York on points in a 20-round boxing contest for the middleweight championship of England here June 4.

The referee's decision came as a surprise to many of the spectators, who greeted it with shouts of disapproval. Todd landed the greater number of blows, but those of Ratner seemed much harder. Ratner showed great surprise when the verdict of the referee was given against him.

Todd floored Ratner for an instant in the second round. This was the only knockdown in the fight. The Englishman had a slight advantage over the American in the first half of the bout. In the thirteenth round Ratner opened a cut on Todd's right eyebrow, and during the remainder of the fight was always playing for the damaged spot. There was good milling in the 17th and 18th rounds, with honors even. In the 19th Ratner landed three hard rights and lefts to Todd's head without a return. Both men finished strong.

CRICQUI WILL TOUR BEFORE BOXING DUNDEE

New York — Eugene Cricqui, France's new pugilistic idol, who topped the veteran, Johnny Kilbane from the world's featherweight throne, has arranged a five weeks' exhibition tour of New York state and New England before defending his newly won title against Johnny Dundee, challenger.

This announcement was made by Cricqui's manager, Robert Eudeline.

Tex Rickard has entered the field as a bidder for the Cricqui-Dundee bout. The promoter informed Eudeline he was prepared to make him an offer but the latter declared he would give first consideration to the proposition of Tom O'Rourke, Polo Grounds matchmaker, who staged the championship bout.

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TED JAMIESON BEATS HOMER SMITH

Kalamazoo, Mich.—Ted Jamieson of Milwaukee won what apparently was an event bout when he all but stopped Homer Smith in the tenth round, the bell saved Smith. Jamieson weighed 174, while Smith weighed 196.

Jamieson has been matched to meet Jack Renault at Grand Rapids the latter part of this month.



FLOYD FITZSIMMONS PLANS BOUT FOR LEONARD, JULY 4

La Porte, Ind.—Floyd Fitzsimmons, Michigan City boxing promoter, expects to sign either Sailor Friedman or Charlie White as an opponent for Benny Leonard in an exhibition bout to be staged in the monster concrete bowl in that city on July 4. While Gov. McCray has reiterated his decision not to permit prizefights, it is not believed Fitzsimmons will encounter any opposition to his Fourth of July program. There will be a number of minor bouts.

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ITALIAN HEAVY CHALLENGES WORLD

Milan, Italy—"I'll meet all comers," Erminio Spalla, the Italian heavyweight pugilist said. "Dempsey, Firpo, Beckett or Battling Siki. I am ready to fight Dempsey today anywhere he wishes. I should like to have a match with Firpo in South America."

Regarding a match with Carpentier, Spalla said: "Carpentier must first meet Vanderveer before I fight him."

Spalla defeated Vanderveer last month on points.

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SIKI REFUSES OFFER TO BOX IN AMERICA

Paris, France—Battling Siki has refused an offer of \$10,000 cabled him by Tex Rickard for a bout with Kid Norfolk late in July or early in August.

The reason advanced for the refusal is that Siki is to meet Marcel Nilles in Paris on July 8.

The Senegalese has confided to his friends, however, that he would never again fight outside of Continental Europe. He believes he was unjustly treated when he met Mike McTigue in Dublin.

Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By Arthur T. Lumley

ALL the great fistic gladiators of the world seem to be lured here.

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But very few of their big financial dreams ever come true.

New York at present is glutted with foreign battlers with great expectations.

Erminio Spalla, the European heavyweight champion, is out with a challenge to Jack Dempsey.

What a fine peach pie he would be for our annihilating champ.

Firpo, however, is in ahead of Spalla for a chance at Dempsey.

Tex Rickard is carefully nursing the Argentine Bull for a big killing with Dempsey.

That's the reason Rickard is so careful of his foreign protégé.

So far Tex has been clever enough to keep Firpo away from any dangerous antagonists.

But even the Cuban Boxing Commission couldn't stand for such a setup as Joe White against Firpo.

So the Garden clique rushed Italian Jack Herman to Havana as a substitute for White.

What a fine substitute! Firpo a few moons ago performed a K. O. rehearsal on Herman.

But look at the great experience the Argentine Bull will have lambasting easy marks.

So far Firpo has not fought a real formidable opponent in this country.

But in his own land he was knocked off a couple of times by a middleweight, as was reported in this gossip weeks ago.

So maybe Firpo is not such a terrific bull after all.

Even if the big Argentine slugger demolishes Jess Willard, it won't mean so much.

Willard is certainly making a serious mistake in letting up on his constant training.

He's bound to put on a lot of superfluous fat quickly in a few weeks' of idleness.

And a man of his age will find it mighty difficult to regain his fighting form again.

Jess was rather unsteady on his feet in his conflict with Floyd Johnson.

He surely needs a lot of road work to keep his pins in any kind of shape.

Firpo on the other hand is quite speedy in foot work for such a big fellow.

When Jack Britton lost to Mickey Walker it was weak legs that really caused his defeat.

Had Britton's underlimbs been right he would still be the world's welterweight champion.

How a fine, strong, skillful pair of legs helps many a fighter to victory.

It was old John L. Sullivan's wobble pins that made him an easy victim for fast Jim Corbett.

Too many of Dinty Moore's corned beef and cabbage dinners did not improve Johnny Dundee's battling, evidently.

An Irish fighter may thrive on that dish, but not an Italian.

So boys be careful about going out of your gastronomic class.

Quite frequently boxers eat themselves out of their proper fighting weight and class.

While others feed on fancy dishes which rob them of health and vigor.

Some of the Broadway managers eat too much and feed their fighters too little.

Many of these overfed impresarios hang out all night in the restaurants along the Great White Way.

They make hundreds of matches in the small wee hours that are never fought.

Besides, they bet millions of dollars in their wild hallucinations.

How these cheerful birds love to roast the Duke of Muldoon, night after night.

Broadway fans declare that Johnny Dundee got a very rank decision in his bout with Jack Bernstein.

They claim the verdict should at least have been a draw.

In fact, that was the opinion of the vast majority of the spectators at the ringside.

John O'Brien, the popular manager of Billy De Foe, is also up in arms.

He claims that De Foe outboxed Benny Valger at the Queensboro Club.

Dundee and Bernstein and De Foe and Valger will undoubtedly fight it out again in return matches.

In order to fully satisfy all parties concerned and a host of dissatisfied fans.

Rank and unjust decisions are queering boxing in this city especially.

Some fine evening there'll be quite mighty muss over one of these raw verdicts.

And then perhaps the sleeping commission will wake from their trance.

The secret balloting between referees and judges is absolutely unfair and unsatisfactory.

The public should know who the ring officials are that blunder or rob.

Jeff Smith is an Elk and is booked to meet Harry Greb during the big Elk's Convention at Atlanta, Ga., on July 10th.

But now some of the highbrow Elks object to any boxing matches there during their convention.

Smith has boxed gratis for the Elk benefits all over the country on some twenty different occasions.

Why should Brother Elks forget this and interfere with one of their own members?

However, the promoter of the proposed match will stage it some fifteen miles outside of Atlanta and undoubtedly draw the crowd in spite of the saintly highbrows.

Jack McAuliffe, the retired undefeated champion, has been engaged by the United Press to report the Dempsey-Gibbons big title battle.

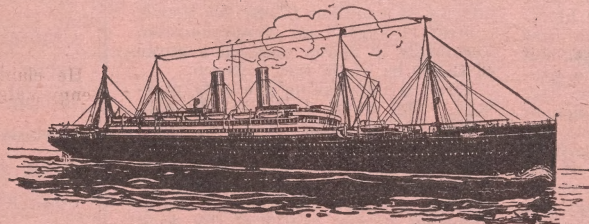
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Andrews' Ring Gossip

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the promoters less than \$100,000 after all bills had been settled, according to pretty close information. Floyd Fitzsimmons staged some big shows at Benton Harbor, Mich., and Michigan City, Ind., the receipts running into the thousands, but still he went about broke on the ventures. Most of the big shows held in Chicago the past few months have been failures financially. Milwaukee, one of the best boxing centers in the country, has had some wonderful shows, but the promoters the past year have made little for their troubles. It is the same in most places, which proves that the boxers—that is the stars—are getting more than their rightful share of the receipts. The game has had wonderful popularity the past four years, but with some of the champions refusing to engage in honest to goodness title battles and others demanding prices beyond the means of the promoters the sport is bound to suffer. It may take a little while, but the kick-back will come and then the boxers will begin to talk about the "goose that laid the golden egg," etc.

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Another Australian boxer, Hughie Dwyer, lightweight, is to visit America and endeavor to arrange for a series of fights here. The visit of Llew Edwards, at that time champion of Australia, three years ago proved a failure for Llew and his manager, George Baillieu as Edwards got off to a bad start, being stopped by Richie Mitchell in Milwaukee in six rounds. That defeat was really the undoing of Edwards. Up to that time he had been performing in a wonderful way in Australia, but after being stopped by Mitchell he seemed to take the matter to heart and never appeared the same lad afterwards. Dwyer won the title from Sid Godfrey, who had beaten Edwards in Sydney for it, and now wants a try against the Americans. He is mentioned by sport writers there as the cleverest boxer in the Antipodes. It is possible that Dwyer will try his hand at the four-round game on the Pacific coast before venturing east. If he can deliver the goods he can get plenty of matches and more money than he ever dreamed of making in Australia.

George Eagle, New York lightweight, who went to Australia some four months ago, writes that he has seen Dwyer in action and thinks well of his chances against some of the Yankee 135-pounders. Eagle, by the way, won a great fight against Harry Collins, a contender for the crown, but lost a very close decision to Archie Bradley of Queensland. The latter was heavier than Eagle by several pounds, being a light welterweight.

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There must be a lot of loose "Jack" around Buenos Aires, in South America. A syndicate of boxing promoters in the "City Beautiful" have offered Louis Firpo, champion of that country

in the heavyweight class, a purse of \$250,000 to box Erminio Spalla, the Italian champion, the contest to take place the coming fall after Luis has mixed with Jess Willard in New York or Jersey. Harry Greb would make Spalla do a Turkish dance if they ever met. He was in the states about a year ago and made such a poor showing that he returned to his native country in a hurry. What on earth the syndicate should put up a purse of quarter of a million dollars for such a contest is beyond all comprehension. Previously if Spalla received a purse of \$2,000 he would feel flattered.

Firpo is now taking the easy pickings. He went down to Havana, Cuba, for a match with a fellow named Jack White of New York, whoever he may be, but the latter proved to be such a dub that the commission refused to permit the bout, especially following a raw exhibition by Jack Johnson, ex-champion, and another colored man named Jack Thompson. They should engage a censor in Cuba and other places to pass on some of the second and third raters before permitting matches with the better class heavies. Harry Wills would have been tickled almost to death to visit Cuba and engage Mr. Firpo or Willard in battle.

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While Champion Jack Dempsey is preparing for his title with Tommy Gibbons at Shelby, Mont., July 4th, the New York promoters are busy trying to figure out how they can bring the champion together with Harry Wills for a Labor Day match. Tex Rickard and Tom O'Rourke are not the only promoters after it. A syndicate has been formed in Far Rockaway for the purpose of erecting a big Stadium there, at the Jacob Riis park, near New York City, and bidding for the Dempsey-Wills match. The wealthy residents of the famed resort are back of the movement and would turn over the Stadium after the match to the city of Far Rockaway.

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Ted (Kid) Lewis, former American welterweight champion and now champion of Great Britain, is rolling up a pile of coin in South Africa, in vaudeville. Some time ago the Kid organized a vaudeville act in London and made a tour of the provinces, being fairly successful. Then he tried South Africa and has been getting \$1,250 a week for the act. He will box while there if any matches are offered. After the African tour he will sail for Australia, where he intends to enter the boxing game again and engage in at least five contests. Lewis' defeat at the hands of Roland Todd for the middleweight title of England was responsible for his trip abroad. Ted is a great boxer, but he should have remained in his own class, the welterweight division.

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SHELBY SHORT SHOTS

Mayor Jim Johnson, who rode the range for 35 years before he settled down to the calm, uneventful job of guiding the destinies of Shelby's people, has thrown out the curfew. The one o'clock closing law is nix in this boom town. Proprietors of places of amusement, after a meeting, marched solemnly to the site of the arena west of the town, buried the keys of their places on the spot where the Dempsey-Gibbons ring will be erected. Shelby is wide open as regards late hours. The cabarets wheeze out their more or less tuneful music until it is time for the morning train from the Coast. Then the stragglers who can't seem to be able to go to bed until they are sure the sun is shining again, wander down to the depot and eye the transcontinental travelers. Jazz climbs on the throne early in the evening. As soon as the east bound train has slipped away over the flats, the pleasure palaces come into their own. The sheik-like orchestra from the King Tut dance pavilion competes for popularity with the cowboy trio grinding out alleged music on homemade instruments at The Mustang. The boys just in from the

oil fields for a little recreation swarm to the dance halls. A lone movie does its best to attract, but the competition is too keen. Hectic Shelby hasn't time to sit for an hour in a picture house.

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Chief of Police John Allsop is keeping his eye on strangers dropping off trains. It's a big job for the guardian of law and order, and he has only one assistant, but the chief gets away with it. To look at John, you might think that he was just an ordinary small town constable, but after you have made inquiries from those who have lived here a while, you will revise your opinion. Allsop is an old timer with the gun. Years ago, he had a reputation for being handy with the irons, and this is one reason why bad characters up to this time have given Shelby a wide berth. However, the strangers don't know this. Those who think they can't cut up a little when they meet the chief had better be careful. The chief says that everybody coming here for the Dempsey-Gibbons fight July 4th, must walk a chalk mark, and that's no western joke.

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Those who will visit here July 4th to see Tom Gibbons and Jack Dempsey attempt to annihilate each other, can rest assured that they will not starve to death. There are 36 restaurants operating here right now, and those will be increased to fifty the day of the fight. In addition, flocks of lunch stands decorate the corners of the busy streets. You can do the cafeteria act at the Red Onion, or you can eat off a tablecloth at the Club Cafe. Shelby is not worrying about the eating problem.

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In this fast moving town there is a sign in a dance hall: "Let Dempsey and Gibbons do all the fighting, we'll try to get along." Another one in front of a garage: "Crank case service; limp in and leap out."

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"WE'LL SEE YOU IN SHELBY."

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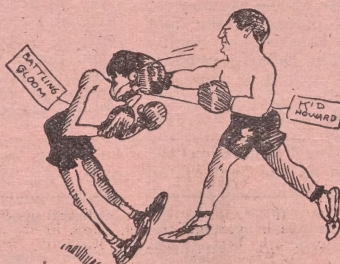
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